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MURDER IN MEXICO.

FIVE PERSONS TRIED.

THREE FOUND GUILTY.

BRITISH MINISTER'S TRIBUTE.

(Reuter's Service.)

MEXICO CITY, August 17.

The trial of the five men accused of the murder of Mrs. Evans at Texmelucan Puebla, on August 4, has been concluded. Three men were convicted of the crime, which is punishable by death. The other two were acquitted.

ACCOUNT OF ATROCITY.

A message from Mexico City, dated August 4, read:

Mrs. Evans, whose name was mentioned in the dispute between the British and Mexican Governments over Mr. Cummins, has been shot dead, at Texmelucan Puebla, on the road leading to her hacienda.

The murderers are believed to be Agrarians, spurred on by anti-foreign agitators.

Mrs. Evans, was shot in the left side and fell from the wagon. Her hair caught in the wheels and the body was dragged some distance, the face being badly mutilated.

Mr. Strauss, German manager of the estate, was seriously injured. The assailants escaped with the pay-roll, two thousand dollars.

TRIBUTE TO DEAD WOMAN.

Mr. H. A. C. Cummins, who was withdrawn by the British Government from his post as British diplomatic agent in Mexico City, arrived in London from America on July 11.

His withdrawal followed his virtual imprisonment in the British Legation, and was the sequel to protests he had made to the Mexican Government against efforts that were being made by the emissaries of that Government to dispossess Mrs. Evans, a British subject, and a widow, of her farm.

The Mexican Government complained that Mr. Cummins addressed "insulting" letters to them. Mr. MacDonald, in a statement in the House of Commons, said that the Mexican Government's actions were "irregular and illegal," and its behaviour "inexcusable." He had read the letters, and found nothing objectionable in them.

Mr. Cummins told a "Daily Mail" reporter that he is besieged for some days in the Legation, and he received instructions from Mr. MacDonald to leave the country and hand over the charge of British interests to the United States Embassy.

"The Mexicans said I was to go by June 10," said Mr. Cummins, "but I was determined to stay until told to go by the British Government. I had chains and padlocks fastened to the gates of the Legation, and kept strictly within the premises. The building was surrounded by secret agents, and had I gone outside I should have been arrested and forcibly expelled from the country. Had the Mexicans attempted to enter the Legation they would have had to force their way not only through very stout wooden doors but also through thick shutters of steel."

"The besiegers permitted food and drink to be passed into the Legation, but all letters were withheld, I, however, received them by an unofficial route."

The whole trouble in Mexico, Mr. Cummins said, was based on a new Agrarian law under which certain individuals determined to take agricultural property from the owners on the theory that it should be subdivided



H. A. CUMMINS

TO FIGHT KU KLUX KLAN.

WOMAN CANDIDATE IN TEXAS.

OPPOSING JUDGE ROBERTSON.

HAS "FIGHTING CHANCE."

(Reuter's American Service.)

DALLAS, TEXAS, August 17.

With Ku Kluxism as the main issue, Mrs. Muriel Ferguson has become a candidate for nomination to the Governorship of Texas. Many are rallying to her support because her principal opponent, Judge Robertson of the Dallas District Court, has not repudiated allegations of sympathy with the Ku Klux Klan.

Mr. Ferguson is believed to have a fighting chance; if she is successful she will be the first woman State Governor in America.

LONDON CONFERENCE.

FRENCH PRESS OPINION.

EVACUATION STARTING TO-DAY.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, August 16.

Commenting on the signing of the Protocol at the London Conference, the newspapers here generally take up the attitude that French opinion is prepared to wait and watch results.

It is remarked that M. Herriot, the French Premier, has logically applied his ideas and marked a turning point in French policy. It remains to be seen whether others will advance in the same direction.

EVACUATION BEGINS.

It is officially announced that the French will evacuate the towns of Offenbourg and Appenweiler on Monday.

WORLD FLIGHTS.

LOCATELLI JOINS AMERICANS.

TAKING NO UNDUE RISKS.

(Reuter's Service.)

REYKIAVIK, August 17.

Signor Locatelli, the Italian flier, has arrived here from Hornafjord. He hopes to proceed in company with the American fliers, possibly on Monday.

He says that, if he experiences insurmountable difficulties in Greenland, he will return to Italy by the same route. The present flight, he adds, is preparatory to an Italian attempt to fly to the North Pole, which is to be made next year.

and a peasantry established. Mr. Cummins continued:

Mrs. Evans is one of the most wonderful women I have ever heard of. Her courage and extraordinary tenacity in protecting what belongs to her have astonished her friends and foes alike. She is one of those women who appear only once in a hundred years.

White-haired and about 50, she is remarkably strong, a wonderful horse-woman, and crack shot with the rifle. Although when on her farm she wears riding breeches, when she visits Mexico City she is dressed in the height of fashion.

FARMHOUSE FORTRESS.

Unlike most of the people who have had their farms raided, Mrs. Evans from the first put up a determined resistance, thereby startling the raiders—or Agrarians—very considerably.

Her farmhouse is more like a fortress than anything else, with courtyards. From the top of its "battlements" Mrs. Evans has defied everybody who has come to the assault. There she has stood, with her rifle to her shoulder, fighting off the attackers with all the courage of a very brave man.

The last I heard of her before leaving Mexico was that she was still at her post on the roof of her house. There is no doubt that the Indians who have been incited by the Mexicans to attack her are extremely afraid of her.

VISCOUNT CURZON.

LOSES MOTOR APPEAL.

London, July 8.—Viscount Curzon, M.P., appeared at Middlesex Quarter Sessions yesterday in respect of his appeal against a fine of £20 and six months' suspension of his motor-driving licence for having exceeded the speed limit in Chiswick High-street on March 9.

Mr. St. John Hutchinson, who appeared for the respondent Justices of Acton, said he understood the appeal, in support of which Sir Henry Curtis Bennett appeared, was brought really against the suspension of the licence. Three months of that suspension had already gone. The brief facts were that on March 9 the police were timing motor-cars over a 220 yards stretch of Chiswick High-street, and found the Viscount's speed to be the rate of thirty-two miles 1071 yards per hour.

There were twenty-one previous convictions against the defendant, and of these fourteen were for exceeding the speed limit. Police officers who gave evidence in support of the conviction admitted, in cross-examination by

Sir Henry, that the measured distance over which they were timing, was an absolutely straight piece of road, and that a driver could easily see the side turnings because of the broad pavement. Since 1908 there had been only one summons against Viscount Curzon for driving to the danger of the public.

Viscount Curzon, in the witness-box, said he had four wheel-brakes on his car, so that it was under full control, and easy to pull up. He had been driving at a speed of between twenty and twenty-five miles an hour just previous to entering the measured distance. There was also in that "control" a long string of cyclists riding two abreast, and he accelerated his own speed in order merely to pass them, and thus avoid any danger to them. There was no other traffic in the "control" at the time.

Sir Henry Curtis Bennett: Do you use your car considerably on public duties?—I have to use it the whole time. I have my duties in the House of Commons, and I am also a naval officer, and I have to use my car in connection with both duties.

Sir Henry Curtis Bennett, addressing the Bench, said that Viscount Curzon temporarily

accelerated his speed in order to avoid the cyclists, as many a motorist would do, but he happened to be in what he (Sir Henry) had hoped had been done away with—one of those old measured distances, he was going to say "traps." No one suggested that there was any danger from what he did.

After the justices had consulted in private the chairman, Sir Montagu Sharpe, said that, undoubtedly Viscount Curzon was a very accomplished motorist. He thought that the acceleration which the Viscount made in the measured distance might have been ended sooner than it was. For the Viscount's sake, he was sorry to say that that Court, in the circumstances, did not see its way to interfere with the Bench below, and the appeal would be dismissed.

Sir Henry Curtis Bennett appealed to the justices to alter their decision in so far as to say that the suspension of the licence which had already taken place should be sufficient.

The Chairman said that that was one of the points which the Bench had very carefully considered, but they had not seen their way to make an alteration to that extent.

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H. OWEN HUGHES,
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on the Old Shares (Fully Paid),
Thirty Cents (\$0.30) per Share on
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60,001 to 150,000, and One Cent
(0.01) per Share on the New Shares
(1924 Issue) upon which \$1.00 per
Share was paid up on the 15th May
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
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Shanghai, July 25.—A most
novel swindle came to light at
the Mixed Court yesterday morn-
ing, when S. K. Wong, alias
several Wongs, Sings and Kyungs,
appeared before Mr. Martin and
Magistrate Zao.

Sub-Inspr. Powell had charge of
the case.
It was Wong's habit, said the
prosecution, to become acquainted
with the employees of the various
men against whom he operated and
elicit from them details
which could give him an insight
into some of their most intimate
affairs and then applying a touch
of shrewdness, not usually posses-
sed of men of the type, wormed his
way into the confidence of the
victim and got money by false
pretences.

Mr. A. G. Wallis, Chinese Mar-
itime Customs, in answer to Mr.
Matland, Police Solicitor, said he
was residing at the house of Mr.
K. J. McEuen, Commissioner of
Police (now home on leave).
Accused came to see him there on
June 15 at 5 p.m. with his subtle
tale and extracted funds for a
cable. Stating that he knew some
of witness's friends whom he
called by name, one of whom
was in the Inspector-General's
office, Peking, accused declared
that a certain Woo family with
whom his sister was staying
would shortly come to Shanghai
and Mr. Woo would then call upon
witness. That he was staying at
the Burlington Hotel was another
assertion which lent dignity to his
position. Finally after a long
conversation in Chinese and Eng-
lish—accused said he knew Russian
also—Wong showed Mr. Wallis a
printed form of Chinese characters
which he desired to send to his
sister in Peking, but it was after
banking hours and he had not
enough funds. Could witness lend
him \$4. Departing with effusive
thanks, Wong declared that he
would return with Woo, but failed
to do so.

THE CONFIDENCE TRICK.

Mr. A. L. Blechynnden, vic-
timized in the sum of \$35, was the
next witness. Wong also came to
see him, said witness, at the New
Engineering and Shipbuilding Co.,
stating that as advance agent for
Mr. Woo in Peking, he was
authorized to open negotiations
for work to be done on a steamer.
Informal conversations followed
and Wong then asked to write
a cable in Chinese containing
important information and request-
ing a time for an appointment.
Accused again seemed to lack
funds for sending the wire and
asked for a loan of \$25 for which
witness granted. He came to
witness's home after dinner and,
stating that he had to send yet
another message wanted \$25 more,
but witness, his suspicions
aroused, gave him but \$10.
He said that he would bring
Woo, coming from Peking, to my
office at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, three
days later, but at the appointed
time, punctually, the phone bell
rang and Wong's voice came over
the wire. "Woo is very busy to-
day, but will see you later," said
or heard of him again until several
days ago, when at Hongkew
Station, he looked from behind the
bars at him.

GERMAN CONSUL VICTIMIZED.

Diplomats, too, were not exempt
from the machinations of the
swindler. Dzuu Wai-foo, employed
at the German Consulate, had deal-
ings with him. Again the cable
and funds for it played a prominent
part in the swindle. Giving his ad-
dress as the Kalee Hotel, where he
said he had a suite of rooms, Wong
pleaded for funds to send 80 char-
acters by wire. Witness offered to
send the wire by messenger, but
Wong would send it himself and
accordingly left the premises, to
return, stating that he could get no
funds as the banks were closed.
He needed \$30, and as the Consul
was engaged, he sent out a message
to witness to assist Wong. An
advance of \$15, not being enough,
five more were given. Later in the
evening when Wong did not re-
turn Dr. Breckler told witness to
inquire at the Kalee Hotel and at
the cable office, but the search
revealed nothing. The police
were then notified.
Drs. Furstenburger, Podpakh,
Paukstadt, Rosenberg and Messrs.
Edward Evans and Son, Ltd., were
also victims.

Accused was sent to prison for a
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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND
NEAR.

LONDON, July 14.

"My husband pines for me
because there is more freedom
about it," said a woman at Mary-
lebone County Court.

The accounts of East Ham
Tramways for the year ended
March 31 show a loss of £35,673, the
loss for the previous year having
been £10,625.

"Ten thousand wild horses run-
ning at large on the range areas
of Southern Alberta were driven
by cowboys and ranchmen a few
weeks ago into one central corral."

The exhaust of a fuel oil engine
exhibit in the Palace of Engineer-
ing at the British Empire Exhibi-
tion caught fire yesterday, the
flames breaking several panes of
roof glass in the building.

Four hundred members of the
United States Bar arrived in the
Cunard liner "Aquitania" at South-
ampton yesterday on their way to
London for the English visit of the
American Bar Association.

The success which has attended
the reopening of the "Empire
Theatre," Leicester-square, as a
music-hall, is to take Sir Alfred
Butt on a personal search of the
provinces and the Continent for
new talent.

Mrs. Winttingham proposes that
a tenant farmer shall have the right
to go to the county court to have
his rent reduced in view of de-
clined wages under the Farm Labourers'
Wages Bill.

The players having failed to
find a ball hit out of the ground
during a cricket match at
Folkestone yesterday a setter dog,
given the scent of another cricket
ball, found the missing one
immediately.

Prince Otto von Bismarck, whose
motor-car was burned a couple of
days ago, was slightly injured. A
Bavarian, yesterday when an
aeroplane in which he had
started for a flight crashed from a
low height.

In the House of Commons is a
table rescued from the fire which
destroyed the Houses of Parlia-
ment in 1834; Mr. Laverack, M.P.,
proposes to have it inscribed with
the names of "illustrious leaders."

Police-constable Albert Edward
Webster was remanded on bail at
Camberwell on a charge of causing
serious bodily harm to Police-
sergeant James Donoghue by strik-
ing with a truncheon.

The woman found unconscious
in a bathing-dress at low-water
mark on the shore near Mablethorpe
Lincolnshire, is stated to be Miriam
Shenton, 21, of Sudbury-street,
Derby, who when bathing is
thought to have been struck.

Among the nine Boy Scouts
from Kenya (British East Africa)
to take part in the Jamboree at the
British Empire Exhibition, August
1-8, will be R. W. Ryan, 15, who
runs, his father's farm and once
shot two lions that were found
worrying stock.

Believing that it will not make
for a "brighter Bournemouth," the
local Chamber of Trade object to
the proposal to erect a mortuary
chapel in the centre of the town,
provided by St. Peter's Church as
a war memorial.

The Rev. T. W. Roberts, rector
of Christ Church, St. Leonards, the
most fashionable church in the
town, protests strongly against
large hats at Holy Communion.
He writes: "The altar is most
emphatically not a place at which
a person should appear in a large
hat. It is almost impossible for
the priest to guide the chalice to
the lips of a person who is wearing
one of the large hats. The chalice
simply disappears under the brim
of the hat."

For a wager Mr. J. Love, of St.
James's Gate Golfing Society,
played six rounds on the Milltown
golf course, County Dublin, on
June 21. He started at 4.30 a.m.,
and finished at 8.30 p.m. For each
round he had a different partner,
but the same caddy attended him
all day. "It was stipulated that he
had to hold out on every green,
and that his average per round
must not exceed 100 strokes. Mr.
Love did the 108 hole in 557, or 93
per round. Baggy for the course is
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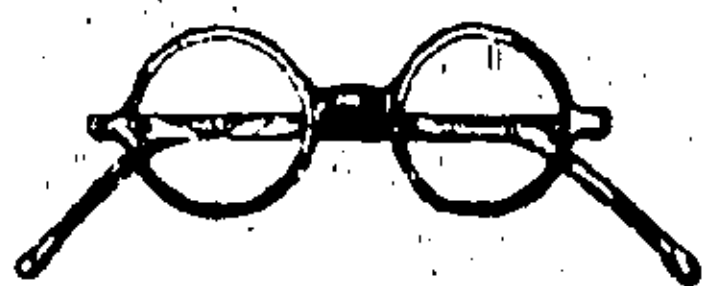
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BIRTH.

FERGUSON.—On August 10, 1924, at St. Marie Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Fergusson, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

ELLIS—KRENDEL.—At the Synagogue "Ohel Leah," on the 17th inst., Emanuel Ezekiel, son of the late E. I. Ellis, of Hongkong, to Rebecca, daughter of Ephim Krendel, of Harbin.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 1924.

HONGKONG'S DEPRAVITY.

Doubtless Lady Astor is pleased. She has got her committee at last—her committee to inquire into Hongkong's shameful immorality. For after all it is Lady Astor's committee. Truly this morning's cable from London mentions Lord

the same fate. From these few remarks it must not be thought that we are seeking to disparage Lord Arnold. We are not. Doubtless he is an admirable official endowed with all the qualities necessary for his high office. Possibly, a better chairman could not have been found for the committee, anyway outside the judiciary. Oh! no, we have not the slightest desire to disparage Lord Arnold, least of all before the committee has begun its labours; our only object in mentioning him at all is to ask is he a match for Lady Astor, a question which has fateful moment for Hongkong, since it is Hongkong more than any other British Colony which is being attacked. Can Lord Arnold, with his drab little record of official duties quietly carried out, repress the brilliant, the witty, the impetuous, and (we fear) the not always quite veracious Lady Astor, who has shown more than once now that she is prepared to exaggerate, ever such a little, and quite innocently, of course, to impress the Non-Conformist voters in the Sutton Division of Plymouth. These questions which we ask—can Lord Arnold prove equal to Lady Astor, can official caution prove equal to reckless zeal?—have, as we have said, fateful moment for Hongkong. Certainly along with the Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council, we welcome any impartial inquiry, knowing that the Colony conducts its social evil with exemplary propriety, but that inquiry, we insist, must be impartial. Until the mail brings fuller details we cannot, of course, say that the present committee is not impartial, but we can say that its chief member, the only one whose name was thought worth the cable charges, is anything but impartial, is indeed, utterly bigoted. However, as we have said before, when reviewing the possible consequences from uniformed meddling, as exemplified by Singapore's terrible experience, it is too soon yet to despair. Even if Lady Astor, with the pious support of West Sutton's prim old ladies, does succeed in dominating the committee, it must be borne in mind that this same committee, after all, is only an advisory body. The Secretary of State for the Colonies will have the final word, and Mr. Thomas is generally agreed to be one of the most practical, level-headed men in the Labour Government. Therefore although at first sight the committee appears to be Lady Astor's, it does not follow that the verdict will be hers also. Which is something to be thankful for anyway.

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Motor-Ship Age.

We have received a booklet which although but an advertisement for a shipping periodical gives one pleasure to handle on account of the excellence of its make-up and its illustrations. The booklet is apparently circulated with a view to getting more advertisements in a shipping journal named "The Motor Ship," which devotes its pages to the recording of developments in regard to the construction of oil-engined vessels. It is, however, interesting to the public generally in that it gives figures which show that there is nearly eight times more motor-ship tonnage afloat than there was in 1924; that the proportion of new orders for motor-ships to those for steamers has risen to 60 or 70 per cent.; that important strides are being made in the construction of very high-powered engines for large passenger liners; that vessels of this class are being built up to a tonnage of 20,000 gross, with machinery of 20,000 h.p. The first of these will probably be completed in 1925.

Eyes On Borneo.

Mr. R. G. Shewan's speech, last week, as chairman of the Sandakan Light and Power Co. (1922), Ltd., was an interesting survey of British North Borneo activities. It was characterised by optimism which seems all the more remarkable after an interview, courteously granted by the Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood, acting Secretary for Chinese Affairs, to the "China Mail" some two months ago. A Chinese gentleman had proceeded thither with credentials from Hongkong to inquire into the pros-

pects of encouraging Chinese of the suitable class, to settle there. The "Mail" man suggested that British North Borneo might one day become as flourishing as the Straits Settlements by virtue of Chinese enterprise. Mr. Wood was not so sanguine. Mr. Shewan's lengthy resume of Sandakan's numerous and diversified industries together with his view that Sandakan might yet expand with the rapidity that Kowloon has grown, again gives cause for encouragement.

Opium Restrictions.

It is proposed to introduce a Bill, to amend the Opium Ordinance, into the Legislative Council at Thursday's meeting. By the provisions of the new measure, the restrictions on dealings in raw opium will become even more stringent than they are at present. In the first place, the proposed Bill provides that every kind of dealing in raw opium, except of course, by the Superintendent, shall be illegal unless licence has been obtained from the Governor. In the second place, it makes unlicensed dealings in raw opium illegal whether the raw opium is in the Colony or not and whether it be ascertained or appropriated in existence or not.

With regard to raw opium which is imported by water under a through bill of lading for Macao, from the Government of India or its nominees for the use of the Government of Macao or its nominees, it may be imported into the Colony, and may be exported to Macao, provided that the following conditions among others are complied with:—

The raw opium shall not be

- 1.—Removed from the ship on which it was imported, or
- 2.—In any way moved in the Colony after removal from such ship, or
- 3.—Exported, except under, and in accordance with, a removal or export permit issued by the Superintendent.
- 4.—When the ship on which the raw opium is exported leaves the harbour of Victoria it shall proceed direct and forthwith out of the waters of the Colony.

Finally, the opportunity is taken to make \$250 the maximum penalty for refusal by a revenue officer or police officer to produce his badge. It has been deemed unnecessary to give the magistrate power to imprison without the option of a fine. The special penalties for obstructing searches, etc., have been omitted, leaving this offence to be dealt with under the general penalty clause, which will make the new Bill less cumbersome.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
in The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

August 18.—Coronet Theatre; "The Great Impersonation."
August 18.—The Star Theatre; "Ride for Your Life."
August 18.—World Theatre; "The Whispering Name."
August 18.—Queen's Theatre; "The Right that Failed."PUBLIC AUCTION.
August 18.—Lummet Bros., at Godown No. 29 Upper the H.K. and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, 197 cases sweetened full cream milk, 11 a.m.
August 23.—Lummet Bros., at Sales Rooms, valuable building land, 3 p.m.COMPANY MEETINGS.
September 16.—Extraordinary general meeting of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at the Registered Office of the Company, Pedder Street, noon.
October 3.—Second meeting of the China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office, Pedder Street, noon.

October 18.—Extraordinary General Meeting of Douglas S.S. Co., Ltd., at the Registered Office of the Company, 20 Des Voeux Road, Central, noon.

October 20.—Third meeting of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office, Pedder Street, noon.

November 5.—Further extraordinary meeting of Douglas S.S. Co., Ltd., at 20 Des Voeux Road Central, noon.

OTHER MEETING.
August 25.—Hongkong Cricket League meeting, at Hongkong Cricket Club Pavilion, 5.15 p.m.

Sir Arthur Hirtzel who has been appointed Permanent Under Secretary of State for India, has been connected with the India Office for thirty years. He was Private Secretary to Mr. Brodick and Lord Morley, Secretary in the Political Department, Assistant Under Secretary and since 1921 Deputy Under Secretary of State for India. He was born in 1870.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It is announced from London, that H.M.S. "Vindictive" will replace H.M.S. "Diomedes" in the Far East.

A Chinese man was knocked down by motor car No. 1134 at Wanchai Road yesterday. He was not seriously injured.

Cho Wing, charged, with having in his possession four tials of raw opium without a police permit at the Star Ferry Pier, was fined \$50 at the Central Magistracy this morning.

There will be a band concert in Statue Square between 5.30 and 7 o'clock this evening. The band of the 1st. Bn. East Surrey Regiment, under the baton of Bandmaster W.F. Bradshaw, will supply the music.

At 6 a.m., yesterday six robbers, armed with revolvers and daggers, entered No. 15, Catchick Street, and stole \$60. They attempted to break open a safe but did not succeed. The police are making enquiries.

Un Cheung and Mak Chung, charged with assaulting another Chinese, were fined \$10 each by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. In addition, they were each ordered to pay \$5 compensation to complainant.

At 1 a.m. on August 17, while those in charge of two conservancy junks at Kwai Chung Bay were asleep, two men, armed with revolvers, found their way on board. While one man "covered" the junk men, his confederate cut the anchors loose, after which the night prowlers decamped.

A snake caused the suspension of the entire tramcar service in Tokio last week. Until the discovery of its mangled body no one was able to account for the accident. The snake apparently had fallen into the principal motor at Kinugawa power station while trying to catch a sparrow whose nest was attached to the ceiling of the plant.

Indicted on two counts for having forged and uttered a cheque for \$50 and obtaining goods by false pretences, a young man named Charles Lawrence Clarke alias Haji Mohammed, was found guilty by the jury at Tientsin and sentenced by Judge Peter Grain to two years imprisonment with hard labour and deportation.

The Italian Legation has received a favourable reply from the Italian Government, and it is expected that the Note drafted by Dr. Schurman in anticipation of all the Powers agreeing to the transfer of the former Russian Legation to the Soviet, will be forwarded to M. Karakhan early next week, says a cable to the "Daily Bulletin."

Two naval seaplanes, from the air-craft carrier H.M.S. "Pegasus," which for some time has been in Straits waters, are to visit Kuala Lumpur this month, in charge of Squadron Leader Tomkinson, R.A.F., and Flight Lieutenant Livock, with two other officers. They will arrive at Port Swettenham on the 19th inst., and will stay until the 23rd, when they will leave for Penang. The flight from Singapore is estimated to take about three hours.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Among those who arrived from Manila by the "President Jefferson" were Mr. Osborn, Col. E. P. Wolfe, Mrs. Wolfe, and the Rev. George Eberle.

Capt. Douglas Wahl returned to Hongkong by the President Taft. Other passengers included Mr. Tom Booth, Mr. A. M. Burchill, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hartmann, Mr. Harold E. Hyde, Mr. Julius Marcus, and Mr. J. R. McDonald.

King George of Greece, who is at present in London, interviewed by the "Daily Express," said that he was convinced that it was only a matter of time until he would be re-called to the throne.

It is stated that Mr. Ben Spoor, M.P., is retiring from the office of Chief Government Whip owing to recurring attacks of malaria. Mr. Ben Spoor, was born in the Bishop Auckland division which he has represented since 1918. During the European War he served as Commissioner for the Y.M.C.A. in the Mediterranean. He is 45.

Among the saloon passengers for Hongkong on board the s.s. "Empress of Asia" were Dr. H. E. Blunt, Mr. A. Brooks, Mr. Y. O. Buchanan, Mr. C. H. Benson, Mrs. E. B. Clarke and child, Mr. E. M. H. Castro, Mr. N. Currie, Mr. C. Z. Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Fortney, Mr. N. J. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. J. McKerr and Miss McKerr, Mr. and Mrs. C. Land, Mr. W. J. McKewen, Mr. B. Rein, Mr. G. T. Squires, Mrs. C. Thwaites, Miss V. Thwaites, and Mr. M. G. Weaver.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

CHARGE OF MURDER.

CASE PROCEEDING.

The hearing of the charge against Chan Din, the Indian chauffeur formerly in the employ of Mr. Arnold (of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Co.), of murdering his wife was opened at the Criminal Sessions this morning before His Honour, the Acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice H. H. Gompertz) and a jury.

The Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp K.C., Attorney-General, prosecuted and Mr. H. S. Fitzroy defended. Mr. Kemp produced plans which he thought might bring to the jury's mind the scene of the crime and the surrounding district. The defendant was charged with the murder of his wife on May 27 on the hillside near the junction of Jubilee and Victoria Road. The plans gave the district and showed the bridge close to which the attack was thought to have taken place and the spot on the lower side of the road where the woman was found late at night. Photographs also were produced, showing, in addition to the other spots, the path where the chopper believed to have been used in the attack was found.

Opening his case the Attorney-General said that he wanted to make it quite clear to the jury that if one person wounded another with a dangerous weapon and the other person died from these wounds it might be murder even if the inflicter of the wound had no intention of killing the person. It might also be manslaughter. He would also point out that if a man found his wife in the act of adultery and he killed the adulterer or his wife in the first transport of passion, he was guilty of manslaughter only and not murder because the provocation was so great. The act would have to be committed on the spot and if a man took his wife's life merely in the belief that she was guilty of infelicitous conduct he was guilty of murder.

The day on which the wounds were inflicted was the day mentioned in the charge although death did not take place until five weeks later. Defendant had been employed as a chauffeur at Mr. Arnold's at Pokfulam and he lived in the servants' quarters there with his wife and son. The marriage between the two had taken place six years ago. At the time the woman was pregnant although the defendant did not know it. Four months after the marriage the woman had given birth to a child but the two decided to continue to live together and a child was born of their marriage. As far as the servants knew, there seemed to be no quarrelling between them. Defendant had two Indian friends whom he used to visit, sometimes together with his wife. One of them was "Tsa Khan" who had a house in "Wo Wo Street." On May 20 the deceased went to Tsa Khan's house with clothing and in consequence of statements she made was allowed to stop at the house for the night. The next day Sa Khan met the defendant and asked him to go to dinner with him. This he did and during the evening the defendant accused his guest of abducting his wife. He also accused another man. He mentioned this, said the Attorney-General, as it was the first time that the defendant had made any suggestions of misconduct to anyone. Tsa Khan told him that the woman had gone to his house voluntarily.

Complained To Employer.

Five days before the murderous attack, the defendant told Mr. Arnold that his wife had been unfaithful and he proposed chopping her. Mr. Arnold had treated the matter lightly and told the man not to be a fool. On the morning of the day on which the attack was made, the house coolie saw the defendant sharpening a chopper. A little later Mr. Arnold was driven to his office by the defendant and at 9.30 an Indian chauffeur in "white" was seen to purchase a chopper at a shop in Morrison Street and afterwards drive away in a car.

Defendant called at the Government Civil Hospital later in the morning and took away in the car his wife and little boy (the boy having had to be treated there). He was seen to pass the junction of Queen's Road and Pokfulam Road at 10.15 by an Indian constable and the junction of Jubilee and Sassoon Road at 10.30 by an unemployed chauffeur and an Indian constable. Another witness, whose evidence was not in the deposition, would testify to seeing defendant driving along Jubilee Road in what by an unwritten rule had come to be regarded as the wrong direction. The constable shouted to him to stop, but he did not do so. This constable noticed that the defendant's clothes were stained as if with blood.

The story was next taken up at the stage when the defendant drove back at Mr. Arnold's house and handed his blood stained uniform to the other servants to be given to his master, at the same time saying what he had done.

BOUND OVER.

JEALOUSY DRIVES WOMAN TO OPIUM.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE CHARGE.

Po Yat was charged with attempting to commit suicide by taking opium, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Defendant said that she wanted the opium for her cough.

Inspector T. Murphy stated that defendant was the concubine of a Public Works foreman. The alleged motive for taking opium was jealousy of the principal wife.

Defendant was formerly a boat girl at Aberdeen Harbour. At 1 p.m. on August 17 she was taken to hospital and Dr. Innteped her and saved her life. Her protector was called upon to sign a bond of \$50 for defendant to be of good behaviour for six months.

BELIEVED DROWNED.

IRA SPARKS MISSING.

A Manila telegram to the "Daily Bulletin" reads: "The sailing boat 'Dauntless' from Honolulu, has been picked up off the Mindanao coast, but there was no trace of Ira Sparks, who sailed on board the 'Dauntless' from Hawaii to the Philippines, and thence to Singapore en route to Palestine. Sparks is believed to have been drowned."

MARRIAGE.

ELLIS—KRENDEL.

There was a large gathering present at the Ohel Leah Synagogue yesterday when the marriage took place of Mr. E. E. Ellis and Miss Rebecca Krendel. The bridegroom is the son of the late Mr. E. I. Ellis and Mrs. Ellis of Hongkong, while the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ephim Ellis of Harbin.

OBITUARY.

SIR CYPRIAN BRIDGE.

A London cable announces the death of Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge at the age of 85. Sir Cyprian Arthur George Bridge was born in March, 1839, a son of the late Archdeacon Bridge. He entered the Navy in 1853, was promoted rear-admiral in 1892, Vice-Admiral in 1898 and Admiral in 1903. During his naval career he saw service in the White Sea in 1854, in the Bay of Bengal during the Indian Mutiny and with the naval brigade in Burma. He served on, and was commander-in-chief successively on the Australian station and the China Station. He retired from the Navy on leaving the China Station in 1904. He was the author of various naval publications and of a volume of reminiscences in 1918.

Sir Herbert Samuel, High Commissioner in Palestine, left Jerusalem on June 25, for England on three months' leave.

He next drove off to Hongkong and, after meeting friends and taking a few drinks, he called at the house of his mother-in-law, told her he had cut up her daughter and asked her if she would take charge of the boy. After some discussion, the woman consented and defendant drove off. He reported to Mr. Arnold at his office and was dismissed. The police were informed and the woman was found on the opposite side of the road to where the attack was made. There were traces of her having crawled across.

Medical Evidence.

Evidence was given of the extent of the injuries by Dr. E. W. McKenny of the G. C. H. and of the finding of the chopper by the police.

Isa Khan, cross-examined by Mr. Fitzroy, said that Chan Din's wife often went to his house, sometimes with her husband and sometimes by herself. He denied ever having had improper relations with her.

Mr. Fitzroy: Did you ever advise Chan Din to get a divorce?

Witness: Yes.

Mr. Fitzroy: Why was that?

Witness: Because I believed what Chan Din said about her.

Witness denied that Chan Din had called at his house to enquire whether his wife was there on the day of the dinner. Acting on witness's own invitation he had come. Mr. Fitzroy was putting a question to the witness as to whether there was any arrangement between the defendant and himself in the event of Chan Din getting a divorce when the case was adjourned.

FRESH HOPE.

Latest Shameen Position.
SEEKING A SOLUTION.Settlement Thought Possible
To-day.

(From Our Special Representative.)

Canton, Monday, Noon.
The Canton authorities are hopeful that the Shameen strike will be finally settled to-day.The workers, however, have not yet returned. The Concession authorities think they may return to-morrow.
Meanwhile the strike pickets near Shameen have again been increased.

Outlook Hopeful.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

Canton, August 17.
Hopes are entertained by a considerable number of Shameen residents that the strikers will return to their posts to-morrow morning and that the strike will be over in the morning.

As far as I can make out, rumours are going round that it has been recognised that the hitch in the settlement was due to the rank and file not understanding the terms. As the terms have been explained, the misapprehension may be cleared away. Coupled with the eagerness of the domestic servants and subordinate servants to get back to their jobs a prediction has been made that the strike leaders may be induced to see reason and, therefore, allow the workers to act as they think fit under the circumstances.

"Buses" Take Action.

Against these optimistic rumours is a move by the strike bosses this morning. Motor-cars panned the bus as far as the West End (Tung Ping) Market with occupants scattering handbills and firing strings of crackers.

The ships have been printed in the racy language of the Cantonese stage and support to have been issued by the workers of the Building Trade Union in honour of the inaugural dedication of the Committee of the Authorised Delegates of the Council of Canton Labourers' Representatives.

The publishers state that all labourers in Canton should be delighted that the Council of Canton Labourers' Representatives has been formed. "This body having been born of us, the working class, will protect our interests in future and our prospects are thus further enhanced. Fellow workers, we know that you will only be too pleased to attend this inaugural ceremony and take part in the rejoicings but this is unnecessary. From to-day we must use all our strength in the fight and struggle for what we ought to obtain. Otherwise the objects of today's ceremony will not be achieved."

A Nominal Boycott.

Although the "boycott" against the Steamboat Co.'s vessels is nominally in force, over 1,000 passengers came up by Saturday's night-boat from Hongkong and wharf coolies were there in usual numbers to carry luggage but no European cargo came up. Following her custom for the past few weeks, the "Honom" arrived on Saturday afternoon from Hongkong and, after discharging her passengers, left the wharf to anchor in the "Bik" Nao Tam stream. Various confirmed rumours are connected with the "Honom's" practice.

Strikers picket were still on duty at both bridges to-day. Nevertheless, one house-servant walked in unpicketed followed by what appeared to be an Annamite policeman.

Later.

A semi-official source confirms the report of the "misunderstanding" being cleared away and the likelihood of a return to-morrow morning.

AMAH FINED.

EUROPEAN LAD HIT WITH
UMBRELLA.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy, this morning, an amah, Li Ah-tai was summoned for assaulting Peter Hancock, a European lad.

Mr. J. E. Hancock, the father, stated that about 5.30 p.m. on Monday last on returning from work his own amah made a complaint to him that his son had been beaten with an umbrella by another amah. The next morning he took his son to see Dr. J. W. B. Moore who gave a medical certificate as to the injuries the boy had received. After hearing further evidence the Magistrate found the case proved and said that defendant should not take the law into his own hands but should take any grievance she had to the boy's parents. A fine of \$20 was imposed.

ARM'S CASE.

WOMAN FOUND GUILTY OF
POSSESSION.

THREE YEARS' JAIL.

Five large bags, containing arms and ammunition were exhibited to members of the jury at the Criminal Sessions this morning when Leung Ki, the mistress of a cargo junk, was charged before Acting Chief Justice H. H. J. Gompertz with possession of 67 automatic pistols, 10 revolvers and over 11,000 rounds of ammunition without having a licence and without lawful authority.

Defendant pleaded not guilty.

Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, Acting Crown Solicitor, prosecuted.
Mr. S. J. Clarke, Chief Preventive Officer, said that he and other revenue officers boarded the junk which was lying at a wharf in Connaught Road and found the arms and ammunition in the living compartment on the port side, covered with a quilt. Some of the muzzles of the revolvers were protruding from the bags.

The defendant said that several men asked her to go to Sham-shuipo as they were going to look for firewood. They brought the bags on board and said they would call the next morning. Before then, however, the revenue officers called. She knew nothing of the contents of the bags.

Asked by His Lordship what interpretation he placed on Section 8, under which the charge was brought, Mr. Hazlerigg said that he thought the master of the junk would have to know the nature of the contents.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty. His Lordship in imposing sentence of 3 years' hard labour, said that he had taken into consideration the defendant's age and sex. It was ridiculous for her to say she knew nothing as to the contents of the bags.

One Year's Jail.

In another case, sentence of twelve months' hard labour was imposed. The accused was Chung Man, charged with being in unlawful possession of a revolver on the Shaikwan Road on July 8. He said he found the weapon near the Bowring Bridge and this was taken as a plea of guilty.

MARINE COURT.

BREACHES OF HARBOUR
REGULATIONS.

At the Marine Court this morning before Lieutenant-Commander G. R. Hole, R.N., Wong Ho, mistress of passenger boat No. A-25V, was charged with carrying 20 passengers on August 17 in excess of the number allowed by her licence. Lance-Sergeant Bradwell testified to stopping the boat, as it left the s.s. "Taikwa Maru," and counting the passengers.

The case was postponed until to-morrow to allow defendant to call witnesses.

Accused Acquitted.

Kwok Hui-lam, master of the motor boat "Sun Wo Kwai," was acquitted on a charge of not observing the rule of the road.

Kwok Yau, master of Government motor boat No. 5 was complainant.

Obstruction.

Li Wing-kwong, master of the s.s. "Hui Hai" was fined \$20 for causing an obstruction in the Southern Highway on August 10. Lance-Sergeant Bradwell prosecuted.

ANOTHER RACECOURSE.

NEW SHANGHAI PLAN.

A Shanghai message to the "Daily Bulletin" states that the ground has been broken for a new racecourse on a site in the Yangtseepoo district, within easy motoring distance from the city, on a plot comprising 600 mow.

The enterprise is being sponsored by the Eastern Recreation Club, of which General Ho Feng-ling is understood to be the moving spirit. The new track will be one and a quarter miles in length.

It is anticipated that the first races will be held next China New Year.

RACE COURSE.

OPEN FOR TRAINING ON
WEDNESDAY.

The racecourse at Happy Valley, which has been closed since June 10, will be officially open for training on Wednesday. Though the work on the sand-track will not be completed, a distance 25 feet from the inner mills will be available so that slow work at any rate can be indulged in. As announced before, it will probably be necessary to make a deviation in the course near the big culvert by the 6-lanlong path.

SHAMEEN LUKONGS

GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT.

CANTON STATEMENT.

Under date of August 16, the Foreign Office at Canton forwards the "China Mail" a copy of the official rejoinder to the statement of the British and French Consuls-General. It follows:

Canton's Rejoinder.

1. It is hardly correct to say that a proposed Statement of the Consuls had been kept back at the request of the Chinese Authorities. The Commissioner, believing that the consent of the Government was being asked for the publication of the Statement, with withholding such consent, but when the Consuls explained that they were not asking such consent, naturally no objection was or could be raised by the Government and it was open to the Consuls to make public what statements they desire, as, for instance, the one under reply.

2. The point at issue is whether the Lukongs (police) are to be reinstated at all.

The understanding of the Government—which has been conveyed to the strikers—is positive, namely, that the Lukongs are to be reinstated like the other public employees but reservation is made in that they are to be subjected to disciplinary measures as outlined in the "Gentlemen's Agreement."

The strikers have been definitely informed in this sense and indeed until the Lukongs shall have returned to Shameen and been reinstated the "Gentlemen's Agreement" could not come into operation.

That the above is the proper and only construction to be placed on the fresh negotiations which began with the interview between Dr. Sun and the Consuls on August 6, and concluded with the acceptance of the final terms of settlement by the strikers at the mass meeting on Tuesday afternoon August 12, is clearly demonstrated by the following recital of facts.

4. Article 6 of a proposed set of terms shown to the strikers on July 30—and flatly rejected by them—read:

"Public employees. Other Than The Police, will be reinstated and their wages will be paid for the period of the strike."

The strikers demanded wholesale reinstatement and reversion to the Status Quo Ante.

5. The whole object of "Dr. Sun's" mediation was to get over the deadlock as to the reinstatement of the Lukongs.

At the interview on August 6 between Dr. Sun and the Consuls, Dr. Sun suggested that with the view of a speedy termination of the strike the subject of the Lukongs should be separated from the strike by reinstating the Lukongs and disciplining them as provided in the "Gentlemen's Agreement" afterwards. Accordingly, the above article was altered to read:

"Public employees will be reinstated and their wages paid for the period of the strike, reservation being made on the question of disciplinary measures in the case of the police."

It will be noted that the phrase "Other than the police" contained in the original article was deliberately omitted in the revised article.

6. The Consuls in a despatch dated August 7 altered the wording of the above formula and the Commissioner, replying on August 8, pointed out the discrepancy and requested that the agreed formula should be adhered to. After further correspondence in which two other alternative formulas were proposed, the following was proposed in the Commissioner's letter of August 9.

"Public employees will be reinstated and their wages paid for the period of the strike, reservation being made in the case of the police on the question of disciplinary measures which shall be finally dealt with according to the discretion of the Consuls."

The Consuls replied on August 10 stating that—provided it is final and we and our Councils are prepared to accept it—Such was the settlement on this vexed question. Both this final formula and the collateral "Gentlemen's Agreement" were explained to the strikers by Government representatives.

7. It may be stated that the final terms of settlement were accepted by the strikers only after much persuasion, as a compromise in the interest of peace and an early settlement.

8. The strikers were therefore disagreeably surprised at the Consuls' action when the Lukongs returned to Shameen together with the other public employees on the afternoon of Wednesday, August 13.

9. It had been the strikers' desire to return to work at Shameen in a body, and they explained to the Government representative at the mass meeting the necessity for a couple of days' delay so that those who were out of town could be sent for. The terms of settlement had been agreed upon but the time for return to work by all the strikers was not.

ARMS ON "HAV"

SEIZURE IS TAKEN QUIETLY.

POLICE TAKE PRECAUTIONS.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

Canton, August 17.
No serious developments have been recorded in what is known as the "Hav" arms seizure dispute. Canton city is very quiet and normally prosperous. Prospects of a general strike in the immediate future seemed impossible to-day.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen is reported as being satisfied that the course he took was in the best interest of all. He is quoted as having promised, after a satisfactory inquiry, the return of 2,000 rifles and/or Masters to the Merchants' Volunteer Corps but nothing will be done until the "forty days" mentioned in the import permit have elapsed.

It is now surmised that the authorities will dispose of the balance of the shipment to the various armies under Dr. Sun, at cost price. The story goes that the arms were ordered in Shanghai, but payment was not to have been completed, till arrival in Canton. Dr. Sun, according to this version, wishes the vendors to be paid in full, hence the decision to sell the balance at cost price so as to make up the balance due.

From another source, I learn that Dr. Sun's cruiser, the "Whig Fung," has returned to Canton and that two battalions of infantry are standing guard over the arms which are still said to be in the Whampoa Officers' Academy. It is also stated that a council at Dr. Sun's headquarters approved of this line of action.

(From A Chinese Correspondent.)

To stamp out any and all possible opposition from the people to Government refusal to permit the amalgamation of the Merchants' Volunteer Corps and to the recent seizure of the "Hav" arms and ammunitions the Canton Government has decided to delegate an official to be present at all meetings of the provincial movement for self-defence. Since the movement is in Kwangtung, are taking part in addition to watching the deliberations of the representatives of the people as organized in the volunteer movement, the Canton Police have instructed printing shops to submit all "copy" for circulars for inspection and approval before publication.

MERMAID CAPTURED.

A SIAMESE YARN.

A Siamese vernacular journal, the Bangkok "Karn Mang," states that twenty days ago a fisherman living at Thambol Krok Krak, Thachien, while casting his net in the sea, seized a young mermaid (sic). It is described as having long golden coloured hair, a face akin to a monkey, hands and fingers like a monkey and being very airy about its body. The lower part of the body has a long tail. When the capture was effected the fisherman did not take the mermaid out of the net, but took it wrapped up in his house. About two or three days later seven villagers went down to the sea to dive for oysters and five of them have disappeared. The story goes that the mother of the captured mermaid has taken revenge and killed those who went to the sea to gather oysters. It is also stated that at night time now is heard a wailing sound of the mother of the young mermaid.

Consequently, the Commissioner despatched Mr. Luk King-fong immediately after the mass meeting to inform Mr. Giles that the terms had been accepted by the strikers, and to suggest that the time for return to work, especially of the public employees should be delayed. To this Mr. Giles replied, insisting upon the return to duty of the public employees the next day (Wednesday, August 13). Mr. Luk desired to ascertain from Mr. Giles a detailed procedure for the strikers' return to work mentioning the Lukongs and Mr. Giles said he left it to the Consuls.

Mr. Luk was at once despatched to the strikers headquarters to urge that special efforts be made to comply with the Consuls' request, and therefore on Wednesday afternoon, as all the world knows, the public employees returned to Shameen.

It is merely owing to the insistence of Mr. Giles for the return of the public employees on the 13th, that any question should have arisen as to the public employees returning "prior to" the body of strikers—a point which seems to perturb the minds of the Consuls in the statement.

The documentary evidence and the circumstances of the negotiations being as above stated, it is difficult to see how any misunderstanding could have arisen. It is clear that neither the Government nor the strikers can take the responsibility for the delay in terminating the strike.

"SARIE BORNEO"

NINETEEN FOUND NEAR
SAMPIT BAY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, August 16.
Nineteen survivors from the s.s. "Sarie Borneo," owned by Chop Thio Soon-yang, which has been overdue from Bandjermassin since August 2, have been found near Sampit Bay, Borneo.

Mengre Early News.

Singapore, August 8. — No definite news had been received late yesterday as to the fate of the Singapore owned steamer, the "Sarie Borneo," which should have arrived here on August 2 from Bandjermassin. Considerable concern is felt in Singapore as to what has happened to the vessel. Mr. Thio Kim-chung, the manager of Chop Thio Soon-yang, the owner, told the "Free Press" yesterday that the four female and two male first class passengers on the "Sarie Borneo" are members of his family and that it was probable that there were also deck passengers. In addition to Captain J. Overhaus and the European mate, the "Sarie Borneo" carried a crew of 82. Her cargo consisted principally of rubber, rattans and kapok.

Alarming as is the report made by officers of the Norwegian steamer "Hero" on arrival at Singapore on August 6 to the effect that while cruising from Coencong Batu Besar they observed cases and kapok similar to those which the "Sarie Borneo" would naturally be carrying, floating in the direct route of steamers from Bandjermassin, that the vessel is lost is not the only explanation of that discovery. In the event of the vessel running ashore it might well be that some of her cargo would be jetisoned to assist in refloating her.

Monsoon Prevailing.

Weather conditions at the time the wreckage was observed were normal, i.e. S. E. monsoon prevailing, states the report of the Chief Officer of the "Hero," who was on watch from 8 to noon on August 2. Just before noon—the moon position being 3 degrees 43' Lat. and Longt. 110 degrees 38'—when approximately 60 nautical miles from Tanjong Pagar, the nearest land point if the usual route be taken, he observed wreckage, consisting of cases, mats in bulk, and part of a chest drawers. The distance from Bandjermassin to Singapore is 782 nautical miles, and the wreckage seen from the "Hero" was approximately 247 nautical miles distant from Bandjermassin. Asked if there was any danger to shipping in the vicinity if the usual course was taken, the Chief Officer stated that this was very remote, as there were no reefs and deep water would be available throughout the whole distance traversed. The Chief Officer has been on this route for eighteen months and during this period he has only encountered one monsoon.

BOWLS LEAGUE.

POSITION TO DATE.

Following is the position in the Colony's Lawn Bowls League up to Saturday last.

	P.	W.	L.	P.
Taikoo R.C.	6	5	1	10
C.S.C.C.	6	4	2	8
Craigengower C.C.	7	4	3	8
Kowloon C.C.	5	3	2	6
Kowloon B.G.C.	6	2	4	4
Police R.C.	8	1	7	2

SHOTS FOR AND AGAINST.

	For	Agst	Up	Down
Taikoo R.C.	391	280	111	0
Civil S.C.C.	340	349	0	3
Craigengower C.C.	327	303	0	21
Kowloon C.C.	306	287	19	0
Kowloon B.G.C.	342	331	11	0
Police R.C.	414	531	0	117

	P.	W.	L.	Pis.
Taikoo R.C.	4	3	1	6
Indian R.C.	5	2	2	6
Kowloon Docks R.C.	4	2	2	8
Kowloon B.G.C.	3	2	1	4
Kowloon C.C.	6	2	4	4
R.H.K. Yacht Club	4	1	3	2

	For	Agst	Up	Down
Taikoo R.C.	242	207	35	00
Indian R.C.	285	298	00	13
Kowloon D's. R.C.	262	197	65	00
Kowloon B.G.C.	176	148	28	00
Kowloon C.C.	323	375	00	52
R.H.K. Yacht Club	199	262	00	63

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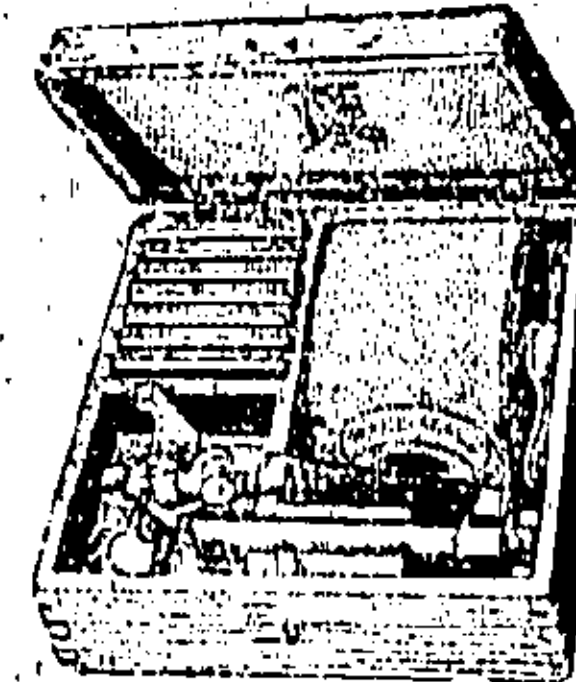
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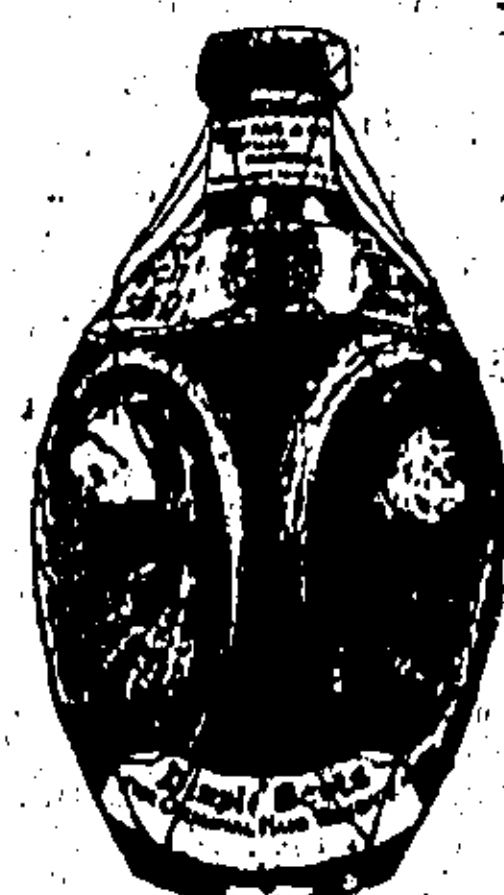
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LAST TEST MATCH.

AUSTRALIA STARE WELL.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 16.
The final Test Match between South Africa and England was opened at the Oval on Saturday. The weather was fine but cloudy. The wicket was in good condition, and there were 5,000 spectators present when play started. Taylor, the South African Captain, won the toss and elected to bat.

A bad start was made. Two wickets falling quickly with only seven runs on the board. Hearn was run out when he had made four and Comminelle was clean bowled by Tate with only three to his credit. Susskind and Nourse made a stand, the latter hitting up 37 before being taken by Sutcliffe off Woolley. At the lunch interval the score stood at 86 for three wickets, Susskind being not out 25, with seven extras.

Re-summing, the South Africans made a magnificent recovery, largely due to Susskind's stolid, but very correct display. He was at the wickets for nearly four hours and hit six fours in his 65. Catterall played a brilliant all-round innings, scoring 95, which included eleven fours. The features of his play were his leg glancing and off-driving. He was eventually caught off Tate's bowling, after being at the wicket for two hours. The bowlers maintained a good length and the fielding was very keen.

Taylor was caught and bowled by Tyldesley with his score at 11 and Deane was taken by Strudwick off Hearn for 30. Blanckenberg compiled 46 and was undefeated. Ward succumbed to a straight ball from Tate when he had hit up five. Pegler was bowled by Tyldesley for 25, and when Carter was caught by Sandham off Hearn the innings was brought to a close for 242, the extras numbering 17. The South Africans batted for five hours and 40 minutes. Scores:

SOUTH AFRICAN.

Hearn, run out	4
Comminelle, b Tate	3
Susskind, c Woolley, b Hearn	67
Nourse, c Sutcliffe, b Woolley	35
Taylor, c and b Tyldesley	11
Catterall, c sub, b Tate	95
Deane, c Strudwick, b Hearn	46
Blanckenberg, not out	30
Ward, l. b. w. Tate	6
Pegler, b Tyldesley	25
Carter, c Sandham, b Hearn	4
Extras	17
Total	342

Bowling analysis.—

	R.	W.
Gilligan	44	0
Tate	64	3
Howell	63	—
Tyldesley	36	2
Woolley	22	1
Hearn	90	3

PUBLIC MORALITY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 16.
The Colonial Office has appointed an Advisory Committee on Social Hygiene presided over by Lord Arnold and including Lady Astor to enquire particularly into the measures connected with public morality in Hongkong, Singapore, Canton and other Far Eastern ports, where the British Settlements Committee is empowered to add special Colonial representatives.

RODEO CASE.

SUMMONSES DISMISSED.

SCENE IN COURT.

London, July 8.—The hearing of the summonses alleging cruelty in connection with the steer-roping contests, at the Rodeo, British Empire Exhibition, was resumed at Hendon Police-court yesterday. Mr. Charles B. Cochran, the promoter, and Mr. Tex Austin, the director and manager of the Rodeo, were summoned for "unlawfully keeping a place for the purpose of fighting certain animals, to wit, steers," and "with having unlawfully caused to be cruelly ill-treated certain animals on June 14, 18, and 19." In addition, five cowboys were summoned for cruelty on various dates. Their names were James Richard Huntton, Charles Irwin, Guy Schulz, Powder River Thompson, and Add Eddies. A timekeeper, E. H. Johnson, was summoned for aiding and abetting on June 18 and 19.

Sir Henry Curtis Bennett, K.C., and Mr. Roland Oliver represented the R.S.P.C.A., Sir Edward Marshall-Hall, K.C., and Mr. St. John Field represented Mr. Cochran, and Mr. Walter Frimpton appeared for Mr. Austin. Mr. J. S. Hockman defended the cowboys and the timekeeper.

Further evidence for the defence was called. Mr. Charles Edward Brady, a solicitor, of Wealdstone, who saw the first performance, including steer-roping declared there was no suggestion of cruelty. The whole thing, was, he added, and the cowboys preserved perfect good temper towards their horses and steers.

Mr. Tex Austin, giving evidence, said that he was born on a ranch in West Kansas. He had taken part in many roping contests, and never in his life had been found guilty of cruelty. He had, however, been prosecuted once. "That was by a bunch of people in my own country similar to these people here," he added, "and all the summonses were dismissed." So far as the Rodeo at Wembley was concerned, he was invited to produce it by Mr. Cochran. He understood that it was with the approval of the Government. A lot of literature was sent to him giving the Prince of Wales as president of the British Empire Exhibition, and he thought it would be with the approval of the Prince.

"Accidents are inevitable in a contest of this kind," he said, "the same as in the Grand National." With regard to the steer which had its leg broken, he heard no groaning. Fifteen minutes elapsed after it was injured till it was destroyed. He declared that it was impossible for a horse to drag a steer 40 or 45 yards, as had been stated by a witness for the prosecution. The average length a steer would be dragged was three or four yards.

Counsel: Do you agree that steers were sweating when they left the arena?

Mr. Tex Austin: No one in the world ever saw a steer sweat.

Alluding to his interview with the inspectors of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Mr. Austin said that they spent a lot of time arguing as to which was the superior officer. While the argument was going on the animal was suffering pain.

Mr. Austin explained that the cowboys paid their own expenses, except the bare cost of transportation. Witness had nothing to do with the admission to the Rodeo.

In point of fact he paid £56 for seats for himself and friends at the first performance.

Replying to Sir Edward Marshall-Hall, witness declared emphatically that, in his opinion, there was no cruelty in any of the contests which were given at Wembley.

Replying to Mr. J. S. Hockman, who represented the cowboys, Mr. Austin denied that the steers were tame. "They are wild ranch cattle," he added. During the contests a total of 160 animals had been roped, thrown, and tied.

Answering further questions, witness said that the Rodeo had been a money-making performance so far as he was concerned. He received £15,000, but had spent more than that. The Rodeo party numbered 140, and of these 130 were Americans.

Sir Henry: Was the animal that broke its leg suffering?—No. Quite happy with its broken leg?—I never asked him.

Witness added that he had broken bones and felt no pain for twenty or thirty minutes.

Is this steer-roping to take place at the Coliseum?—I do not know. There is no arrangement with me, but the boys are no longer employed by me, and I do not know what they may do.

WILDEST CATTLE.
Colonel C. D. Miller, the polo player and manager of Roehampton, said that he saw a Rodeo performance, and there was no cruelty. He did not, however, see any of the accidents.

Rodeo, said that he shot the steer that had its leg broken. He had not the faintest doubt that the first shot killed it, but at the request of the R.S.P.C.A. inspector he shot it again.

Add Day, one of the Rodeo judges, said he was responsible for rounding up the cattle used at Wembley. He added, "they were the wildest I could get in a wild country." (Laughter.)

Dr. Donald Armour, of Harley street, and Sir A. Tudor Craig both gave evidence declaring that there was no cruelty in the performances they saw.

The five cowboys gave evidence on their own behalf. James Huntton said that he did not know until after it had been tied and walked out of the arena that the steer's leg had been injured.

Mr. Hockman: What attracts you most in these contests? The money prize, or the honour you may win?

Huntton: I am after the money. (Laughter.)

Charles Irwin denied that his horse dragged the steer by the horns for twenty-five yards.

Powder River Thompson, said that he did not know of having injured any steer.

Guy Schulz said that the steer in respect of which he was summoned was dragged three feet and not ten yards. The animal he threw had its neck broken, but that occurred in the fall.

Add Eddies, who, on June 19 roped a steer which had its neck broken, denied that the steer was exhausted or that his horse dragged it while on its knees.

A SCENE.

There was a scene when the Court resumed after lunch. One of the few men amongst the considerable number of women in the court rose and addressed the magistrates: "I wish to make a protest," he shouted. "During the war two hundred thousand wives, babies, and infants were slaughtered and the R.S.P.C.A. did nothing, and our magistrates throughout were idle."

The interrupter was forcibly removed.

During the afternoon, the evidence having been concluded, counsel delivered their closing speeches to the magistrates.

Sir Edward Marshall-Hall, addressing the magistrates on behalf of Mr. Cochran, said that if his client was to be convicted, then, logically, the managers of Sandown Park, Liverpool Racecourse, Ranelagh, Roehampton, &c., must be held responsible and there must be no differentiation between them.

The case had aroused unusual interest, for in his forty years' experience at the Bar he had never addressed so many magistrates. (There were eleven justices on the Bench.)

"It is unfortunate that this has originated as it has," said Sir Edward. "It has given rise to a great deal of fanatical feeling. I deeply resent the suggestion that because I am appearing for Mr. Cochran I have no sympathy with animals. At the adjournment to-day a woman dressed as a lady called me a dirty traitor and said that she had heard me speaking on the platform of the Dumb Friends' League. I have done so, and hope to do so again, but I regret very much the fanatical feeling which is broadcast condemning anybody before they have a chance. I am a lover of animals, but I like to see fair play."

In the absence of Sir Henry Curtis Bennett, Mr. Roland Oliver addressed the Bench for the prosecution.

The magistrates retired for more than half an hour to consider their decision.

When they returned the chairman said that the case had attracted a great deal of public interest, and much had been written on both sides, not only in this country, but in many others. A great deal of it was absolutely irrelevant to the point of view which concerned the Court. As in cases of ordinary common cruelty, all they had to do as justices was to consider whether the evidence they had listened to during three hearings convinced them that certain specific acts of cruelty had been committed. They must be acts of cruelty according to the laws of this country, and not of any other country. The magistrates were not concerned with the state of public opinion either in this country or in others. They all knew that opinion was very much divided, and there was considerable division of opinion on the Bench. They had reached their result by a majority of six magistrates to five. That decision was that all the summonses must be dismissed.

There was a demonstration of applause in court when the result was announced, but this was quickly suppressed by the police.

In regard to other summonses which have not so far been proceeded with relating to it, it is understood, to incidents on other days at the Rodeo, Mr. Roland Oliver said that he would have to take advice as to whether these summonses should be proceeded with.

When the Court rose, the cowboys, with loud whoops, rushed into the corridor, threw their wide-brimmed hats into a circle, and danced around them until police-men cleared them off the premises.

COMING TO-DAY.

MAJOR ZANNI DUE AT CANTON.

EVERY FACILITY GRANTED.

Major Zanni, according to advices received here this morning has left Hanoi for Canton, which he is expected to reach this afternoon.

The Consul for the Argentine, Mr. Alberto C. de Alba, who applied two weeks ago to the Foreign Commissioner at Canton for permission for Major Zanni and his partner to land there has received no reply. However, the "China Mail" was enabled to set his mind at rest on that score by reading him the following cable, received this morning from our special representative:

"Mr. Eugene Chen, Secretary to Dr. Sun Yat-sen states that the Canton Government has received no application, from the Consul for the Argentine at Hongkong, for permission for Major Zanni and his party to land."

However, Mr. Eugene Chen has authorised the publication of the following message:—

"The Canton Government will have the greatest pleasure in welcoming Major Zanni and his party. No difficulty whatever will be placed in his way; every facility will be granted. The Government is willing to take Major Zanni on his honour."

The Asiatic Petroleum Company in Canton are making all necessary arrangements for the supply of oil, and anticipate no difficulties on account of the Shanghai Strike.

Mr. T. Murphy, the advance agent of the Zanni party, is believed to be in Foochow awaiting the fliers' arrival. They should reach there to-morrow en route to Shanghai. According to present arrangements, no call will be made at Amoy.

Details Of Journey.

The three Argentinian airmen are Major Pedro Zanni, the pilot, Lieutenant Nelson Page, the observer, and the mechanic, Mr. Beltrane. The engine is a British Napier. They started their flight on July 26 from Amsterdam and reached Constantinople in four days, after a break at Paris and Lyons. After a brief stay at Baghdad, they arrived at Basra the next day and on August 1 reached Bunderabbas. The next day saw them at Karachi. After a short interval, the party was next reported at Calcutta whence they flew to Rangoon after having passed Allahabad. Late Saturday night it was announced that Bangkok had been reached. The party landed at Hanoi last evening.

COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

WALL STREET.

GERMAN SECURITIES.

(Reuter's Service.)

NEW YORK, August 16.

An amazing speculative craze in Wall Street is making fortunes for the holders of German securities, mostly small dealers and street vendors. There is the instance of a shopkeeper who recently bought fifty million marks of Imperial War Bonds for \$375 which have just realised \$87,500. War Bonds which a year ago were \$5 have advanced to \$1,750, Prussian three and a half per cent. Consols from \$400 to \$4,000, and Berlin four per cent. bonds from \$500 to \$1,200. The rise is attributed to a renewal of confidence in Germany in consequence of the Dawes plan.

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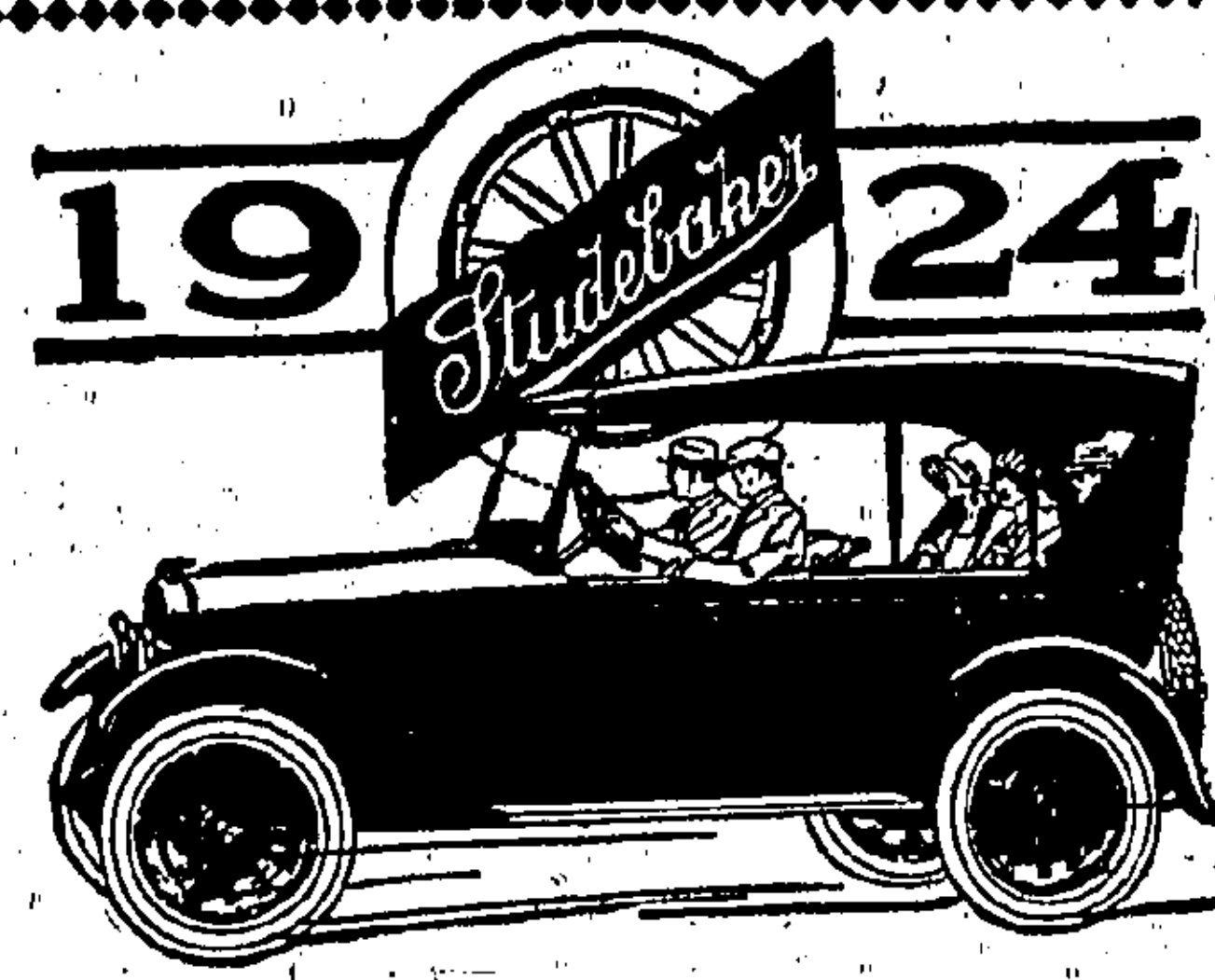
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"AGREEMENT OF LONDON" SIGNED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 16. The London Conference has concluded the Agreements.

Mr. MacDonald said the delegates must now strive to make their work fruitful for good. M.M. Herriot and Théunis had been admirable "If they might have thought at times that I was rather unbending, it was for the sake of Europe and the best interests of all our peoples as I saw them."

He would like to impress upon the German people that as a result of the Conference they had created a system of arbitration, examination and revision which would enable both them and us to observe the working of the Dawes plan, watch the projects that might be doubtful in their effects, and come together in a sincere desire to rectify mistakes as soon as the mistakes were discovered; in other words, the time of national isolation was ended, and the time for the exchange of views and reasonable dealing with experience had begun. Their work was only beginning, however, and they must continue to work.

He proposed that the question of inter-allied debts should be dealt with in accordance with the declaration made at Paris. Economic problems were bound to arise when the Central European Powers found their feet. There would be an attempt on the part of soulless international combines, by political pressure, to subordinate the common interest to their own interests. The defence of national interests and national well-being against such moves must receive the most careful consideration and firm action of democratic governments.

M. Herriot paid a tribute to Mr. MacDonald, who had led them with such patience, kindness and loyalty. All problems of war were not solved, but they had already perceived the dawn of a France happy in seeing written in front of the London document the idea of arbitration, which all hoped would be generalised in order to substitute the regime of conventions, based on right and legality, for the atrocious rule of war.

Mr. Kellogg (U.S.A.) complimented the delegates and highly praised the Dawes plan, which from the beginning had had the loyal support of the President and people of the United States. He believed this settlement heralded the dawn of a new day, of the revival of industry and prosperity.

M. Théunis hoped the success of the Dawes plan would create a new atmosphere.

Signor Stefani stressed the necessity for a real efficient brotherhood of peoples for the harmonious development of the work of reconstruction.

Herr Marx thanked Mr. MacDonald and said Germany would be willing to collaborate in the common work of humanity.

Baron Hayashi congratulated Mr. MacDonald on the success achieved.

Details Of Agreements.

The first agreements concluded by the Conference comprise the final protocol with four annexes and make no reference to the evacuation of the Ruhr. The protocol sets forth, inter alia, the agreements which are mutually independent. Annex one consists of the agreement between the Reparation Commission and the German Government relative to the carrying out of the Dawes plan.

Annex two specifies, inter alia, the form of arbitration in cases of various eventualities and also provides for a mixed committee of Allied and German representatives to determine the procedure for deliveries in kind.

Annex three provides that the Dawes plan will be put into execution before September 20, including Germany's promulgation of the necessary laws for the installation of executive bodies, the establishment of a bank and a German railway company, and the fulfilment of contracts for the 800,000,000 gold mark loan. The restoration of fiscal and economic unity in Germany is to be completed by October 6, including the restoration of the power the Ger-

man administration enjoyed in the occupied territories prior to January 11, 1923. The restoration of the industrial and other undertakings in the Ruhr to the owners, etc., of the German railway system, is to be taken over by the Dawes railway company by September 29 and the lines worked by the Franco-Belgian *regie* are to be completely transferred by that company by November 20. The agreement further deals with the amnesty for political acts since January 11, 1923, and authorises the reference of disputes to the Hague International Court.

Annex four embodies the arrangements relative to an American sitting on the Reparations Commission when anything arising in the Dawes plan is considered, and arbitration regarding a German default and sanctions, not to be applied unless a flagrant default is established by the Allies. In the event the sanctions will safeguard the specific securities pledged as a service for the loan and will give the service loan priority. Disputes on this point will be submitted to the World Court.

The agreements are formally to be signed on August 20 after ratification by the French and German Parliaments.

Correspondence between the Franco-Belgian and German delegations dated August 16 shows that M.M. Herriot, Théunis and Hymans promise the evacuation of the Ruhr within the maximum of 12 months. "If the London agreements are carried out in a spirit of good faith and pacification," they also agree the day after the final signature to evacuate the Dortmund-Hoerde zone and the territories outside the Ruhr occupied since January 11, 1923, in order to give "immediate and spontaneous proof of a desire for peace and confidence in the undertaking freely entered upon."

Herr Marx, replying, said that while maintaining that the occupation of the Ruhr was unlawful, and hoped that the latter decision would mark the beginning of a new era of mutual relations.

It is understood that the Allies have agreed on immediate negotiations with Germany for commercial treaties.

Premiers' Statements.

The conclusion of the 10,000 word "Agreement of London," after a 31 days' conference, has given widespread satisfaction. Speeches at the final sitting cordially applauded Mr. MacDonald and led to applause at Herr Marx's speech, after which a Foreign Office official carried the agreement round for signature or initialing. The President, Mr. MacDonald, the Secretary-General, Sir H. Hankey, and delegation secretaries, excluding the United States' secretary, signed the opening protocol, but the four annexes containing the main substance of the agreements were only initialled by the various delegations, including the representatives of the British Dominions, pending the formal signature on August 30. It is expressly stated, however, that the agreements cannot be varied except that the dates regarding the stages of execution of the plan will be advanced a little as the original dates pre-supposed the first steps having been taken by August 15.

It is understood that Herr Marx made it clear that he would regard the agreement as null and void if the Reichstag fails to ratify. There were animated scenes in Downing Street. While the last touches were being put a large and ever-changing crowd paraded the street. There was a great outburst of cheering when Mr. MacDonald emerged looking very pleased. He said: "I am very glad it is over. Everyone is most pleased."

M. Herriot, beaming, declared: "We are very contented and satisfied. I return to France altogether pleased and happy."

Mr. MacDonald later entrained for Lissieux where he spends a week's holiday in the Highlands. It is expected that he and his daughter Isabel will be the guests of their Majesties at Balmoral next week-end.

BASEBALL.

Cricketers' Fine Performance. UNEXPECTED VICTORY.

On the Hongkong Football Club ground, on Saturday afternoon, Mr. Logan's aggregation of cricketers "put it all over" the American Baseball team. It is true that O'Connor pitched and Verner was behind the plate for the victors, but this does not account for a 9-2 score in favour of the cricketers. "No, Sir, you take it from me we shall have a British Baseball nine here next year," as one enthusiastic rooster put it.

The H.K.C.C. scored a single in the opening inning, three each in the second and sixth and a brace in the fourth. After the second inning, when two men crossed the plate, the Americans continually "missed their guess" and had to acknowledge defeat by 9-2. It was a snappy game throughout and took place before a record crowd, which included a number of the fair sex. Details follow:—

First Inning.
H.K.C.C.—Mackenzie caught at short stop. Bowker to first on Harlow's error. Logan hit a fly ball, Bowker reaching second. Owen-Hughes with a hit past first, brought Bowker home and reached third. Verner caught at centre-field.

H.K.B.C.—Joyner struck out. Proulx reached first base on being struck and stole second with Bradford at bat. Double play Hayes-Newton to Logan ended the inning.

Second Inning.
H.K.C.C.—Hayes-Newton with flyer to left field reached second. O'Connor reached first. Hayes-Newton moving to third. Burns at bat. O'Connor stole second. Burns reached first bringing Hayes-Newton home. O'Connor reaching third. Burns stole second with Howell at bat. Mackenzie to first. Burns crossing the plate. With Bowker to first, Mackenzie reached third. Logan brought Mackenzie home, Bowker over-running third.

H.K.B.C.—Wilson reached first and stole second and third with Harlow at bat. Latter struck out. Hogan reached first, Wilson crossing the plate. Petherley at bat. Hogan stole second. Hogan struck out. Werschul for Shank brought Hogan home, but was out himself at third.

Third Inning.
H.K.C.C.—Houlahan pitched for Shank. Owen-Hughes out at first. Verner reached first on second's error. Hayes-Newton struck out. O'Connor caught at short-stop.

H.K.B.C.—Houlahan caught at third. Joyner reached first. Proulx reached first, Joyner being out at second. Bradford out at first.

Fourth Inning.
H.K.C.C.—Burns out at first. Howell reached first. Mackenzie at bat. Howell stole second. Mackenzie walked. Bowker out a first. Logan brought Howell and Mackenzie home. Owen-Hughes got to first. Logan reaching third. Verner caught at second.

H.K.B.C.—Wilson well caught by Howell at left field. Harlow fanned. Hogan walked, and reached second. Petherley was struck out.

Fifth Inning.
H.K.C.C.—Hayes-Newton out at first. O'Connor reached first, and stole second with Burns at bat. Last-named struck out. Howell at bat. O'Connor was put out trying to steal third.

H.K.C.C.—Werschul reached second on an overthrow, stealing third. Houlahan reached second. Joyner caught at second. Proulx fanned. Bradford caught at third.

Sixth Inning.
H.K.C.C.—Mackenzie reached first. Bowker sent Mackenzie to second, reaching first himself. Logan reached first and brought Mackenzie home, sending Bowker to third. Owen-Hughes brought two men home and reached third. Proulx pitched for Houlahan.

Verner at bat. Owen-Hughes was put out trying to get home. Hayes-Newton at bat. Verner stole second. Hayes-Newton caught in centre-field. O'Connor out at first.

H.K.B.C.—Wilson put at first. Harlow followed suit. Hogan reached second. Petherley struck out.

Seventh Inning.
H.K.C.C.—Bridger (for Burns) out at first. Howell reached first. Mackenzie out at first. Howell reaching second. Bowker struck out.

H.K.B.C.—Werschul reached first. Houlahan caught at left field. Joyner at bat. Werschul reached third, but was out in trying to reach home when Joyner hit to short-stop. Proulx at bat. Joyner out at third.

Score By Innings.
H.K.C.C. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
H.K.B.C. 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 = 2

The line up was:

CRICKETERS.	BASEBALLERS.
Verner	c. Proulx
O'Connor	p. E. Shank
Burns	1b. Harlow
Logan	2b. Joyner
Bowker	s.s. Wilson
Owen-Hughes	3b. Bradford
A. Mackenzie	rf. Petherley
Hayes-Newton	cf. Werschul
Howell	lf. Hogan
Umpires: Messrs. Nelson and Hooter.	

BOWLS.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS.

Taking advantage of the fine weather on Saturday afternoon, Lawn Bowls players were busy, only one match being cancelled through fear of wet weather. The results were:—

DIVISION I.

K.B.C.C. v. C.S.C.C.
Playing at home the Kowloon Bowling Green Club gained a decisive victory over the Civil Service Cricket Club by 42 points.

Score:
K.B.C.C. C.S.C.C.
Harvey Kynoch Keegan
Kynoch Macfarlane Sara
Russell (S.) 26 Allen (S.) 10
McLaggan Oswick
Whibley Smith
Farrell Knight
Lapsley Mill

Chapman Hollidge
Nish Gregory
Hall Murphy
Guy Grimmett

Total 77 Total 35

C.C.C. v. T.R.C.

Playing at Craigengower, the home team defeated the Tai Koo Recreation Club by 21 points.

Score:
C.C.C. T.R.C.
Alves J. Sloane
Neves Grimshaw
Fisher Wallace
Basa Wetherpoon

Taylor Bateman
Rossette Whyte
Dennis Russell
Macfarlane Drummond

Mackett MacLachlan
Fritz Young
Green Morrison
Bradbury Hamilton

Total 61 Total 47

K.C.C. v. P.R.C.

The Police Recreation Club, on their own ground, were defeated by the K.C.C. by 12 points.

Score:

K.C.C. P.R.C.

Abraham Post
Fletcher Whant
Tatchi Sword
Pile McLeod

(S.) 24 (S.) 14

Hunter McLennan
Corley Glendenning
Overy Clark D.
Gibson Grant

(S.) 15 (S.) 20

Goldenburg Reed
Lammert Murphy
Brawn Hollands
Hyde Clark J.

(S.) 22 (S.) 15

Total 61 Total 49

DIVISION II.

K.C.C. v. R.H.K.Y.C.
Playing at home the Kowloon Cricket Club defeated the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club by 63 points to 46. Scores:—

Score:
K.C.C. R.H.K.Y.C.
Hoather Reed
Howe Jamie
Labrum Williamson
Davidson (S.) 21 Brayfield (S.) 16
Smith Adams
Harrison Stock
Heathcote Shaw
Herridge (S.) 19 Edwards (S.) 18
Jack Sellers
Robson Pelley
Davis Carpenter
Ramsay (S.) 23 Shellsheare (S.) 12

Total 63 Total 46

T.R.C. v. K.D.R.C.
The Tai Koo Recreation Club were at home to the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club and won a great tussle by 4 points. Scores:—

Score:
T.R.C. K.D.R.C.
Multhead Atkinson
Shearman Goodman
McCubbin Funchion
Stoan Gow

(S.) 20 (S.) 20

Barker McKelvie
Peterson Dixon
O'Brien Keith
Loring Gray

(S.) 19 (S.) 24

Crichton Hamilton
Matthews Simpson
Welf Johnson
Grimes Gourlay

(S.) 21 (S.) 12

Total 60 Total 56

TENNIS.

I.R.C. BEAT K.C.C.

After a number of postponements the first division tennis league match, between the Kowloon Cricket Club and the Indian Recreation Club, was played off at Kowloon, on Saturday afternoon, resulting in a win for the visitors by five games. Excellent conditions prevailed and the match was witnessed by a number of supporters of both clubs. K.C.C. supporters were full of hopes that their team would be successful and, indeed, at one stage it looked as if these hopes would materialise. A win for them meant securing the 1st division championship.

At the end of the first 33 games, the K.C.C. were leading by three games, Green and Lay winning by 8-3, Hyde and Fincher by 6-5, Krebs and Trambisky going down to the tune of 4-7. At the second interval (66 games) the Indians improved their position and when scores were totted up they were two games in hand. They won two of the three sets, Green and Lay, and Krebs and Trambisky, being defeated 4-7 in each case. Hyde and Fincher were again successful, 6-5. The third series of games began in favour of the K.C.C. and in the initial stages they more than held their own, but the Indians were not to be denied and finally won two of the three sets, Green and Lay, losing by 5-6 and Krebs and Trambisky 4-7. Hyde and Fincher scored another win, 6-5.

Hyde and Fincher played consistently throughout, winning all their three matches. They certainly put up the best display for the home team.

Lay was not in his usual form, whilst Krebs and Trambisky were noticeably weak.

For the Indians, S. A. Rumpkin and T. A. Razack, and H. D. J. Rumpkin, partnered by O. J. Small, played good tennis, though H. D. Rumpkin has been seen to much better advantage.

By the defeat of the K.C.C. an interesting position arises, three teams being equal for premier position in the first division of the tennis league. The three teams are: the U.S.R.C., the I.R.C. and the K.C.C., each team having lost one match. Arrangements are being made for the three teams to play each other to decide who is to hold the championship for 1924.

Scores in Detail.
S. E. Green and T. Lay beat S. H. and S. D. Ismail, 8-3; lost to S. A. Rumpkin and I. A. Razack, 4-7; lost to H. D. Rumpkin and D. Ismail, 5-6. (17-16).

E. Fincher and W. Hyde beat H. D. Rumpkin and O. Ismail, 6-5; beat S. A. Rumpkin and I. A. Razack, 6-5; beat S. H. and S. D. Ismail, 6-5. (18-15).

H. Krebs and N. Trambisky lost to H. D. Rumpkin and O. Ismail, 4-7; lost to S. H. and S. D. Ismail, 4-7; lost to S. A. Rumpkin and I. A. Razack, 4-7. (12-21). Total.—47-52.

RELIGIOUS RIOT.

(Reuter's Service.)

Secunderabad, August 17. The local superintendent of police was killed and there were some casualties during a Hindu-Muslim disturbance at Kullaburga. It is alleged that the Hindu attacked a Moslem mosque. The Moslems retaliated attacking a Hindu temple. A strong force of police and troops was dispatched. The situation remains serious.

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LONDON, August 17. The first matches in the Scottish League were played on Saturday, and resulted as under:—

Airdrieonians	2	St. Mirren	0
Ayr	0	Third Lanark	0
Cowdenbeath	1	Hearts	2
Dundee	0	Celtic	0
Falkirk	2	Aberdeen	0
Hamilton	3	St. Johnstone	2
Hibernian	3	Partick	2
Morton	2	Kilmarnock	2
Queen's Park	2	Motherwell	1
Rangers	3	Rath	0

INTERPORT AQUATICS.

MEETING IN OCTOBER.

The Victoria Recreation Club, in making arrangements for the annual aquatics to be held in October, have extended an invitation to Shanghai and Singapore on behalf of the swimmers of the Colony. If both ports accept, as it is hoped they will, the event will be a triangular contest.

Singapore has hitherto been prevented from sending up a team, owing to certain financial difficulties, but it is believed that the obstacles have now been overcome.

Shanghai beat Hongkong three years ago at Shanghai, and it is hoped on this occasion to extract a measure of revenge for that defeat.

the result of course was that he turned out some magnificent sailors.

His discipline was very strict, but it was scrupulously just and the fact that he never lost his head in any circumstance made a tremendous difference. His crew were fond enough of him to permit his being kindly and friendly to them without being taken advantage of—one attempt was quite enough to last a long time—and while he worked his apprentices hard he was very keenly interested in their welfare and in fair weather was generally ready to exchange a joke with them or ask them one of his innumerable pet conundrums—the answers to which they were always careful not to know.

A FINE RE-UNION.

Such was the man who did so much to make the old ship famous and it is only meet that he should have the chance of commanding once again, be it for ever so short a spell. One of her old apprentices, who now holds a very prominent position in the shipping of the Thames, is to go as a quartermaster and altogether it is a fine re-union which is worthy of Captain Downman.

It is entirely due to him that the ship has not been broken up for her timber and her massive copper fastenings long before this. A man of very considerable means, with an equally enthusiastic wife, he determined that the wonderful old ship should be preserved in this country and although it has cost him a pretty penny, he is well satisfied with what he has been able to do.

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Although he has found some first-rate spars for her, she is not yet in a condition to go to sea under her own sail, but before long she will be as good aloft as she is below, and she does not leak a pint. He is a keen West Country yachtsman and has lent her to the committee of the Fowey regatta to act as flagship during the yacht racing there at the beginning of next month.

It was a happy thought, but the happiest of all was to put her once again under the command of her grand old captain, to whose love for his famous ship 20 odd years of farming in Norfolk have not made the slightest difference. The only pity is that the voyage is not right up through the most crowded shipping lanes, that as many ships as possible might have the honour of saluting the two of them.

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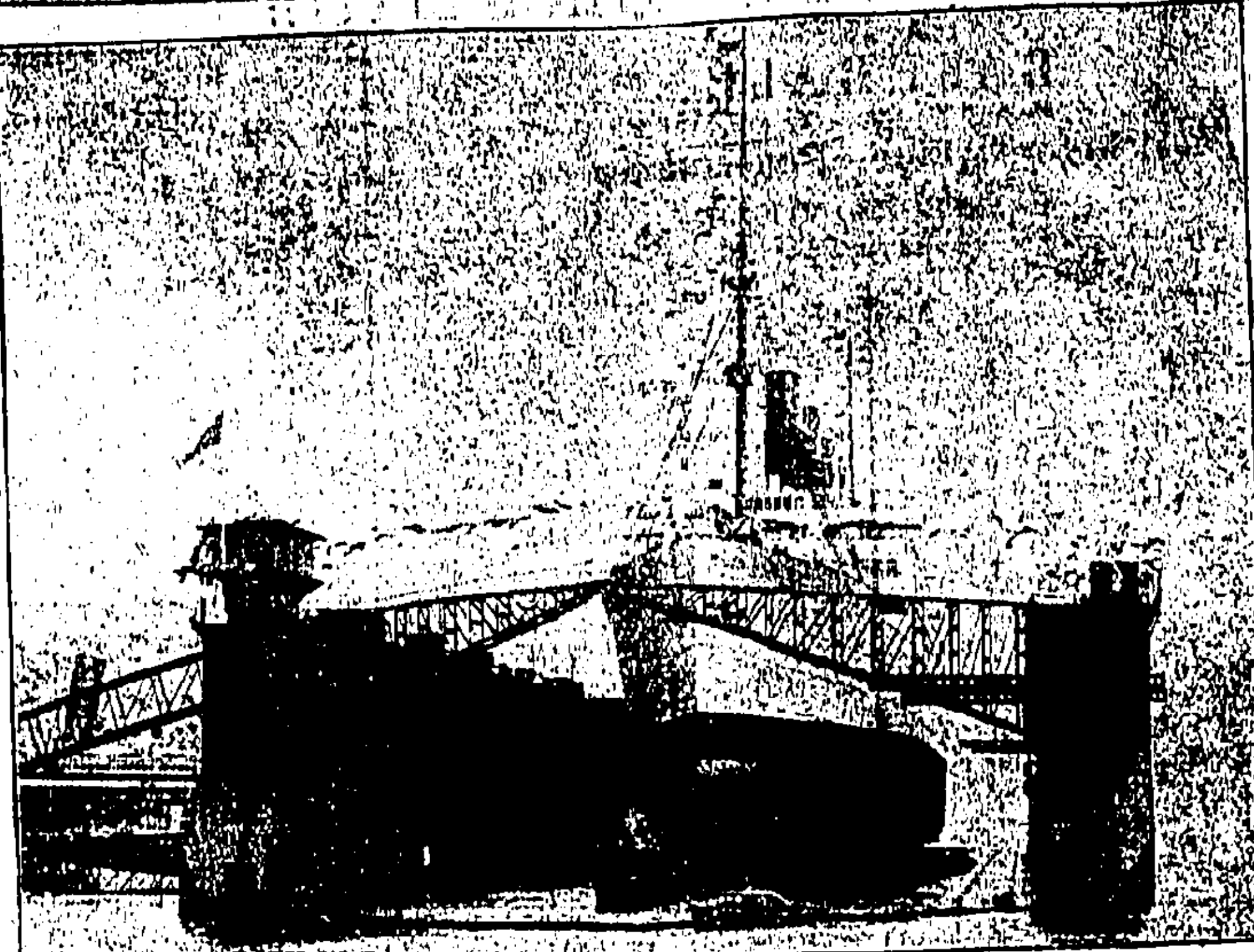
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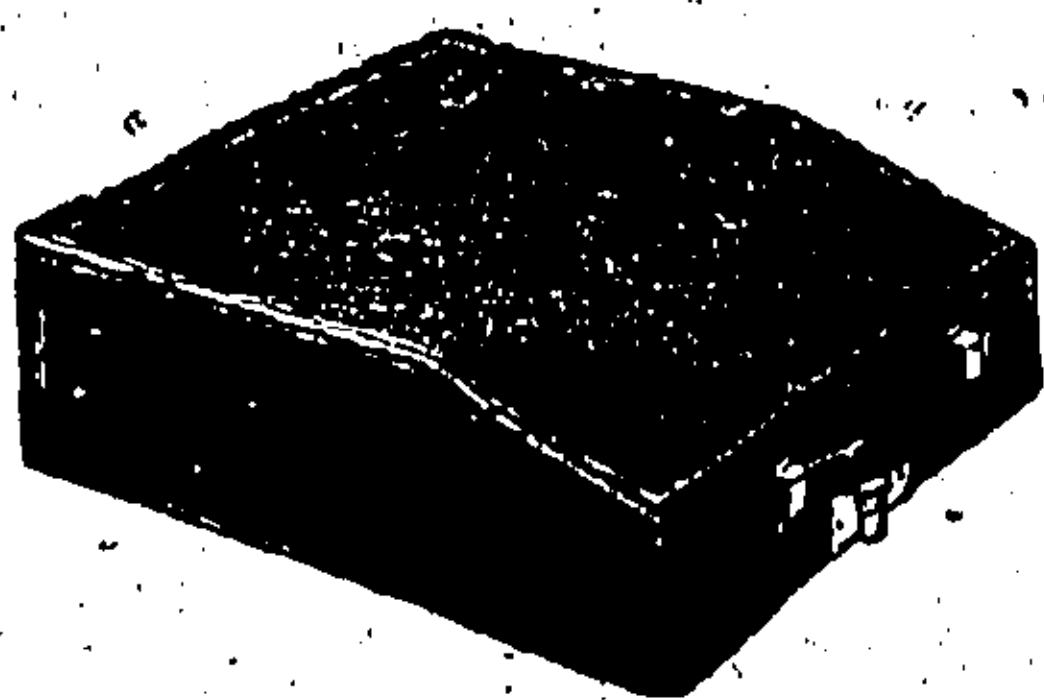
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WEATHER REPORT.

August 18d. 11h. 38m.—Warning to Hongkong, Coast Ports, &c.

A severe typhoon within 60 miles of Lat. 28° N. Long. 131° E., moving N.N.W.

August 18d. 11h. 51m.—Pressure has decreased considerably at Oshima and slightly over S.W. Japan and at Haiphong. It is nearly stationary at other reporting stations.

At 6 a.m., this morning the typhoon was less than 100 miles E.S.E. of Oshima, moving N.N.W. Hongkong, 100 miles, for 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch.

Total since January 1st, 78.31 inches, against an average of 67.71 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on August 19, 1924.

1.—Forecast Channel, Light, variable winds; fair.

2.—Coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook. Light, variable winds; fair.

3.—Typhoon to Gap Rock. Light, variable winds; fair.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. Light, variable winds; fair.

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DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

AUGUST 18, 1924.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.	Wind.
Victoria Peak	5	29.95	80	84	SW	4	0
Victoria Peak	6	30.18	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	7	30.04	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	8	29.87	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	9	29.55	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	10	29.50	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	11	29.40	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	12	29.41	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	13	29.36	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	14	29.32	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	15	29.28	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	16	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	17	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	18	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	19	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	20	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	21	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	22	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	23	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	24	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	25	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	26	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	27	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
Victoria Peak	28	29.26	81	85	SW	1	1
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 21.

U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai. Pres. Grant

Straits. Mitsushima Maru

MONDAY, AUGUST 25.

Straits. Mitsushima Maru

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FOR MONDAY, AUGUST 18.

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TUESDAY, AUGUST 19.

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Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America & EUROPE via

VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria B.C.

7th Sept. Parcel 8 p.m. Registration

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20.

Swatow. Mitsushima Maru

Manila, AUSTRALIA & New Zealand via

Thursday Island—due Thursday Island

21st Aug. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.

Shanghai, Japan & EUROPE via Siberia

(Correspondence specially superimposed "via Siberia" only)

Kaiser-I-Hind 10.30 a.m.

Hinsang Noon

Empress of Asia 3.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21.

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Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via

Marseilles—due Marseilles 20th Sept.

Parcel 2nd Aug. 5 p.m. Registration

Aug. 23rd 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

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SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco 17th Sept. Registration

9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow. Mitsushima Maru

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23.

Manila. Mitsushima Maru

Shanghai, Japan & EUROPE via Siberia